

Sanford Teams Here Tonight

Greenwave Teams Are Underdogs

The Dunn High teams suffered three defeats on their visit to the new Sanford High gym on January 15, and the local teams will be the underdogs in the tripleheader at the armory tonight. The scores of the games played at the Lee County school were — JVs, 31-30; girls, 33-34; boys, 45-33.

On the basis of the last meetings, the Dunn JVs have the best chance to get revenge tonight. The girls will have a tough assignment in stopping tall Lucy Blue who scored 33 points against the locals at Sanford. The odds against the local boys are even greater than before since some of the squad members have been lost since the last meeting.

MINUS ONE

One of Coach Barrett's first string guards is on the ailing list, Kack Butt, but all other players on the squad seem to have recuperated.

Big center Bobby Truelove was high scorer against the Greenwave in the previous meeting with 12 points, and Bud Castleberry was

Plans Have Been Completed For Harnett Co. Basketball Tourney

Play Begins Feb. 18 In County Seat Gym

Plans for the Harnett County Basketball Tournament have been completed for the week of February 18 through 23. With a meeting of the Athletic Committee about a week ago and the meeting of the Educ Co. last night, the arrangements are fundamentally complete.

Coach Hal Bradley of Lillington, head of the Athletic Committee, has announced that the biggest jobs and most difficult situations have been solved. They are—the officiating, the pairings, the date and Dunn High.

second high with 10 points. Greene center Tommy Waggoner will have the responsibility of trying to hold the beefy Sanford center to ineffectiveness.

The JV contest will begin at 6:30, and it may be the best of the three.

1. It was decided at an earlier meeting that the officiating would be handled by local officials, those who had been doing the job all year; but after taking all complications into consideration, the coaches decided that the officials would be secured from the Eastern Carolina Basketball Officials Association of Fayetteville and Ft. Bragg.

2. The pairings were arranged by picking four top teams in the girls' and boys' divisions and placing them in brackets, and the other teams will be played by the Bules Creek and Coats girls, and the Lillington and Anderson Creek boys to decide the eighth club for the playoff brackets.

3. The date of the tourney, and the location, have been known for some time — from February 18 through 23.

4. No one had seemed to know the position of Dunn High in relation to the county tourney, neither the Dunn coaches or the Athletic Committee. This problem was solved quickly and easily last night when Mr. A. B. Johnson, principal of Dunn schools, announced that Dunn High teams had not qualified for the tournament.

Other announcements to come out of the meetings were that the selection of All-County teams have been completed, but the names of the players will not be revealed until the completion of the playoff; and the names of the eligible players have been turned into the Superintendent's office.

Kentucky Increases Lead As Best College Team; Kansas State Second

By NORMAN MILLER
NEW YORK — (AP) — Kentucky, the United Press Board of Coaches' pre-season choice for the national college basketball championship, was rated tops in the nation for the second week in a row today by a wide margin over runner-up Kansas State.

Coach Adolph Rupp's Bluegrass powerhouse, winner in 19 of its first 21 games, received 26 first place votes and a total of 328 out of a possible 350 points from the 35 leading coaches who make up the United Press Rating board.

Kentucky's 87-point lead over Kansas State was the widest margin enjoyed by a first place team this season.

The Kentuckians clinched their ninth straight Southeastern Conference title and a berth in the NCAA tournament by walloping Georgia Tech last Saturday night.

Kansas State 16-3 replaced Illinois in the second spot with one first place vote and 241 points. The Illini 13-2, who topped the nation for seven straight weeks before Kentucky took over last week, dropped from second to third place with 214 points.

THROUGH SATURDAY
The coaches based their ratings on games played through Saturday, Feb. 9.

In other major changes in this week's ratings, Iowa 14-1 advanced from ninth to fourth place and St. John's of Brooklyn 17-2 moved into the top 10 again after an absence of four weeks.

Behind Iowa came St. Bonaventure and Duquesne, which ran through their first 16 games of the season unbeaten. Iowa had 201 points; St. Bonaventure, which held fifth, had two first place votes and 184 points, and Duquesne, which jumped from eighth to sixth place, had four first place ballots and 164 points.

St. Louis 17-4, Kansas 15-2, the Washington Huskies 19-3 and St. John's rounded out the top 10 teams in that order. St. Louis dropped from fourth to seventh place, Kansas from sixth to ninth, and St. John's advanced from a tie for 12th to 10th place.

St. John's replaced Oklahoma as the nation's top college teams:

1. Kentucky (26)	328
2. Kansas St. (1)	241
3. Illinois	214
4. Iowa	201
5. St. Bonaventure (2)	184
6. Duquesne (4)	164
7. St. Louis (1)	153
8. Kansas	136
9. Washington (1)	128
10. St. Johns	31

11. Indiana	26
12. Wyoming	18
13. Dayton	16
14. Seton Hall	14
15. Louisville	12
16. N. C. State	9
17. West Virginia	8
18. Oklahoma City U.	8
19. New York U.	6
20. DePaul	5

DUKE MENTIONED
Other teams among the 33 that received points in this week's ratings were: UOLA, Tulsa, Cal-

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Duke-State Game Highlights Loop Schedule In Southern Conference

RALEIGH — (AP) — Duke, gunning for a Southern Conference tournament berth, gets its return engagement tonight with North Carolina State's Wolfpack before a sell-out crowd, one of the few this season, at the huge State Coliseum.

Duke needs a victory to nail down a tournament berth, although the Devils could probably squeeze in anyway if they lose tonight. But victory would be doubly sweet because State nipped Duke in a double-overtime affair at Durham 72 to 70 earlier in the hardest-fought game of the current league campaign.

A crowd of 12,000 fans is to watch the contest that may shape into a preview of what the finals of the tournament March 8 hold in store on the same hardwoods.

State climbed back atop conference standings with a win over Davidson Saturday while Duke was boosting its record to 7 to 3 with a victory over William and Mary.

AFTER LOOP LEAD
A state win tonight would give the Wolfpack the league lead again which it shared today with West Virginia. Both have a 9-1 record.

Two other teams battling for tournament berths clash at Chapel Hill. South Carolina's Gamecocks, with a 6-3 league record, go against the North Carolina Tar Heels.

A loss for North Carolina would almost eliminate them from tournament contention. Coach Tom Scott's cagers have eight conference wins but six losses charged against them.

The Tar Heels, who tripped Furman's tournament-bound Paladins in their last outing, promise to be tough. After tonight the Tar Heels play three more league games — against Clemson, State and Duke.

South Carolina must face five more league opponents—Wake For-

N. State Leaders Get Second Straight Loss

By UNITED PRESS
Elon, leading North State Conference standings, took its second drubbing in a row from a loop team last night.

High Point whipped the invaders 75 to 62. East Carolina snapped Elon's 10-game winning streak Saturday and Elon apparently hadn't yet recovered from the shock.

In tonight's only loop game Lehigh Rhyne goes to Guilford.

French Welterweight Seeks Middleweight Bout With Robinson

PARIS — (AP) — Frenchman Charles Hume, 155 pounds, won a unpopular 10-round decision over Hayes, 159, before 15,000 at the Palais des Sports last night.

Today's announcement surprised many boxing men because Hume, welterweight champion of Europe, had been negotiating several weeks for a world welterweight title fight with Kid Gavilan of Cuba, who is recognized as champion by American organizations.

Europe's 147-pound class champion will try to clinch a shot at Robinson's 160-pound crown by meeting middleweight Laurent Daubhulle of France at the Palais des Sports on March 17.

N. I. T. To Open With Tripleheaders

NEW YORK — (AP) — Tripleheaders, instead of the usual doubleheaders, will be offered on the first two nights of the National Invitation tournament at Madison Square Garden next month.

GREAT PROSPECT
DURHAM — One of the top prospects on Duke's track squad this Spring will be Joe Sankle, all-round ace from Spencer who starred at Randolph-Macon Academy before coming here. His top prep record for the high hurdles, for instance, was 14-4—only one tenth of a second off the Southern Conference record set in 1939.

Asa Bushnell, chairman of the NIT committee, said the tripleheaders would be played on March 8 and 10 because many of the teams now in the running for bids are scheduled to play regular season games on March 8.

A 12-1/2 p.m. field will be chosen for the tournament with the four top-seeded team drawing byes in the quarter-final round.

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Duquesne Hits 47% Of Shots In Downing St. Bonaventure

By RUDY CERNKOVIC
(United Press Sports Writer)

PITTSBURGH — (AP) — Duquesne's Iron Dukes are the nation's only major undefeated college basketball team today — and the odds are they'll stay that way through their remaining five regular-season games.

Coach Donald "Dudey" Moore's "swish-shooters" rang up the big one—a 69 to 63 victory over previously unbeaten St. Bonaventure in their "game of the year" last night.

The Dukes, clicking on 47 per cent of their shots, took a commanding 39-34 halftime lead and were never seriously threatened thereafter.

To complete an unbeaten campaign, the Dukes now must only repeat lopsided victories over Cincinnati, Villanova, Akron and Geneva and defeat seven-times beaten Baldwin-Wallace.

The difference appeared to be in the shooting averages. While Duquesne hit on almost 50 per cent of its shots, the Bonnies connected on only 27 percent — a figure almost guaranteed to lose a game against a first-rate opponent. Even

so, the Dukes outscored the Bonnies from the field by only 26 to 25.

WILDCATS BOMP AGAIN
Meanwhile, Kentucky made a valiant effort to steal the spotlight from the natural game of the night by rolling up a 110 to 66 triumph over Mississippi State which set a new scoring record for the Wildcats' Lexington court. Cliff Hagan looped in 90 points and Frank Ramsey scored 29 for the winners.

Iowa and Illinois remained tied for the Big 10 lead with impressive victories over league opponents.

Chuck Darling flipped in 29 points as Iowa smothered Michigan, 64 to 60, for its 15th win in 16 games and Illinois dumped Michigan State 84 to 62 for its 14th triumph in 16 starts. Both are tied for the Big 10 lead with 7-1 records.

In games tonight, Buffalo faces Canisus, Connecticut takes on Holy Cross, Texas meets Baylor, Dayton faces Bowling Green, Dartmouth opposes Yale, Duke takes on North Carolina State, Georgetown plays Catholic University, Texas Tech opposes Hardin-Simmons, South Carolina faces North Carolina and Rice plays TCU.

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